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COMMONS PROBLEM

Buildings come up on civic amenities site in layout

Pedestrians denied right of way as builders, cafés, even private citizens encroach sidewalks across Bengaluru

FOOTPATH, WHAT'S THAT?

Encroached footpath close to BBMP zonal office

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Footpaths in the city are still meant for pedestrians. Or so we thought.

Karnataka High Court had recently made it clear that sidewalks are for the benefit of ordinary citizens who prefer to walk.

On several occasions, the High Court has directed the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) and traffic police to ensure footpaths are pedestrian friendly.

However, a few irresponsible citizens of Jayanagar consider the footpath constructed and developed by the BBMP their own. They have put up barricades on the footpath compelling pedestrians to walk on the road.

The said footpath is situated on 9th Main of Jayanagar 2nd Block. With the footpath occupied by the customers of Bengaluru Café, the other neighbours put up barricades to prevent the customers of the eatery from having food in front of their homes.

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"I do not know why BBMP and traffic police did not take action on those occupying the footpath – Jagadeesh R, resident

Covid Wrap Up

Hospitals winding down exclusive covid wards, allied services as cases wane

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With the rapid decline in the number of covid-19 cases and subsequent hospitalisations, healthcare centres in the city are getting rid of dedicated wards and beds.

Hospitals representatives said the number of covid patients requiring in-patient facilities has been in single digits for months and now is almost nil.

BGS Gleneagles Global Hospital has withdrawn covid beds and wards as the hospital recorded zero cases since September. As covid waves peaked, the hospital had a covid ward with 18 ICUs and 94 general beds for patients.

"We have not received any covid cases since September this year. During the covid wave in 2021, we had 112 beds. We have allotted 10 beds for covid cases, which are currently being used by general ward patients. However, in case of any emergency, we can redeploy the same with full covid protocols in no time," said Dr Siri Kamath, senior physician and covid task force co-in charge, BGS Gleneagles Global Hospital.

Hospitals representatives BM spoke to said as covid cases have waned,

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All-year trash course for govt school children

Children in three wards of Mahadevapura are being trained in garbage segregation & disposal by BBMP and NGOs as part of awareness drives

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To help children inculcate good habits of garbage segregation and disposal, government school children in three wards of Mahadevapura are being trained by the BBMP in collaboration with NGOs. It's part of a three-year commitment by the NGO to provide round-the-year awareness drives for the students.

Close to 16 government schools have been targeted under this initiative and they receive round-the-year awareness drives. Using colour-coded dust bins, children are taught about the segregation of waste. NGO Samarathanam has been assigned the task of creating awareness in Mahadevapura under the CSR fund for a period of three years.

Ayesha Anjum, Project Coordinator of Samarthanam Trust said, "Keeping the motto, learning with fun, we conduct the drives in Q&A model. Instead of just giving lectures, we ask children questions to ascertain their understanding and develop knowledge about segregation with logic. We usually conduct small demos using coloured bins and carry different objects. Children are asked where should one put the object. These awareness drives are conducted in the schools on a fortnightly basis."

MAHADEVAPURA TASK FORCE

Kids participate in demos involving coloured bins and objects

As part of the Clean Street 75-K challenge, the Mahadevapura Task Force (MTF) team has conducted cleaning drives but has also realised the importance of the need to address core issues.

To address them, the MTF team has tied up with NGO Samarthanam Trust to conduct awareness drives in schools, door-to-door awareness drives, etc.

The volunteers travel with auto-tippers creating awareness about the subject while the garbage is collected. In a joint operation with BBMP SWM, BBMP Marshalls, NGO volunteers, and MTF, around 16 government schools and a few private schools have been already been covered.

Currently, the effort is limited to eight wards that are seen as major contributors to the problem: Garudharchar Palya, Hagadur, and Kadugodi. MTF has expressed interest towards extending to all wards of Mahadevapura.

Areas with the lowest segregation percentage are targeted and the highest percentage of segregator in the group are rewarded to encourage citizens to take part in segregation. On some occasions, volunteers also adorn costumes made of plastic bags to create mass awareness.

> **"The attempt is to ensure children cultivate better habits at an early stage so that we can build a better neighbourhood**
> – Clement Jayakumar of MTF

"It's difficult to change the mindset of adults; the attempt is to ensure children cultivate better habits at an early stage so that we can build a better neighbourhood," said Clement Jayakumar of MTF.

As part of the door-to-door campaign, the volunteers conduct surveillance over the garbage segregation and disposal practices followed by homes and provide counselling to individuals. Upon repeated follow-ups and failure to abide, BBMP marshals penalise the offenders. Additionally, they also conduct plastic-ban drives with BBMP marshals in commercial spaces

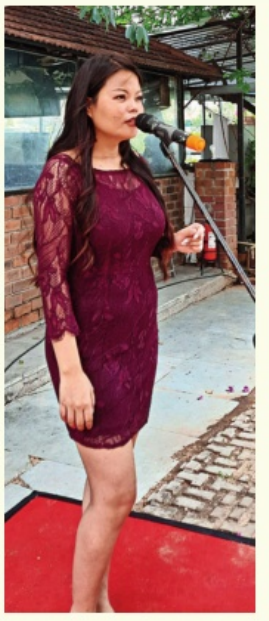
The volunteers also conduct sensitisation drives for pourakarmikas regarding health and hygiene, digital literacy like net banking, applying for PF, etc, and sports activities to encourage them.

3 THINGS TO DO

01 Shoppers, listen up!

Hi Life Exhibition, one of the most exciting and exclusive fashion exhibitions of India with exclusive designs of haute couture, personal style, home décor and luxury products, is back in the city. The top renowned designers from across India will be showcasing some of their best designer works of art, from wedding ensembles, designer apparels and jewellery to fashion accessories, home accessories to furnishing concepts to new-age art. **Where: The Lalit Ashok, Seshadripuram; When: November 4 – 6, 10 am – 8 pm**

02 Tune in!



Foxtrot Marathahalli presents 'The Foxy Friday' with Laltlei Puii. Laltlei has been performing live since 2017, focusing on various genres like pop, blues, country & jazz. She is a singer - songwriter, solo artist & collaborates with bands on various occasions. She likes to play guitar sometimes & writes her own songs.
Where: Foxtrot, Marathahalli, Outer Ring Road
When: November 4, 8 pm onwards
Entry: Free, 9108136001/2

03 Groove to hard rock

For all new age music lovers, Indulge Friday Nights presents Zed Axis live, a hard rock band from Mysore, Karnataka, who were at the forefront of the live music revolution in the 90s, introducing an ever-growing audience to the raw and primal thrills of hard rock. Zed Axis has now re-emerged in its latest form branching away from its heavy metal roots; the band has modernised its sound and now experiments with various genres while still keeping the fire of hard rock music burning bright.
Where: Indulge by House of Commons, JP Nagar
When: November 4, 8 pm; Tickets: insider
Info: 7899529516

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New-age tech for high-risk patients

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The laser technology was rolled out at Apollo Seshadripuram

Apollo Hospitals, Seshadripuram has introduced Moses 2.0, a special technology to treat large kidney stones and prostate enlargement on high-risk patients with multiple health complications like diabetes, hypertension, cardiac issues and those having undergone a complex surgery.

Dr Manohar T, Director, Apollo Institute of Renal Sciences (AIRS) said, "Moses 2.0 is a modification of Holmium laser technology that auto modulates to prevent blood clotting as well as bleeding that makes it a game changer to treat kidney stones and prostate enlargement for people who have multiple health risks and are on blood thinners or anticoagulants.

It uses a high-power Holmium laser worth 120 watt. After USA and China, India is the third country to get Moses 2.0 installed at Apollo Hospital, Seshadripuram. Procedures conducted by using Moses 2.0 are endoscopic and do not involve cut opening of the area."

Whose civic amenity site is it anyway

Question-mark over fate of property buyers in Anekal as authority plans to reclaim plots

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Hundreds of people who bought residential sites at Nisarga Layout developed by a private builder more than two decades ago are in a dilemma over ownership of those sites. The reason: Those sites are meant for civic amenities. Many have built houses on those sites. Now, the Anekal Planning Authority is making arrangements to restore those sites for civic amenities.

"I do not know what to do now. I spent all my hard-earned money to buy this site and construct a house for me. I bought it from the second party who bought it from the builder. I bought the site for around Rs 60 lakh and spent Rs 45 lakh for the construction of the building," said R Venkatesh who took voluntary retirement from HAL.

Venkatesh said he approached the Nirman Shelters Bangalore Pvt Ltd three years ago seeking a remedy but the management did nothing except giving assurances. "I can't take the management's assurance seriously. I don't have faith in it," he said.

Karnataka Bhoo Samrakshana Vedike Anekal unit president V Chandrasekharaiah expressed concern over sale of civic amenities sites to gullible buyers. He said his relative too had bought a site earmarked for a park. "There is a lot of pressure from my family members to do something to get an alternative site but the management of Nirman Shelters Bangalore is doing nothing except giving assurances. It has become an embarrassment for me," said Chandrasekharaiah.

Some buyers have already built their dream homes on civic amenities site at the Nisarga Layout in Anekal

The story of Vishalakshi N is quite different from others. She convinced her brother who works at a private company in Madhya Pradesh to buy three shops at Nisarga Layout in 2019. "I thought the developer was genuine, but he cheated us by constructing shops on the site meant for civic amenities. My brother got a notice from Anekal Panchayat Office a year ago advising him to produce the documents. The notice stated that the land on which these shops are constructed is meant for a park. Now, I am worried about my brother who invested around Rs 70 lakh to buy the shops," rues Vishalakshi.

Kallubalu Gram Panchayat member Sadananda said the land developer sold hundreds of sites meant for civic amenities by getting khata certificates from the gram panchayat.

"I have created awareness among the prospective buyers not to become victims like hundreds who have lost their money. I have approached the authorities concerned to take action against the builder," said Sadananda.

He said many people who bought the sites are under tremendous pressure as there is no guarantee of getting alternative sites. "What is the fate of those who bought sites and constructed buildings?" he asks.

> **"I have created awareness among buyers not to become victims like hundreds who have lost money**
> –Sadananda, Kallubalu Gram Panchayat

Meanwhile, Anekal Planning Authority Joint Director said a relinquishment deed is yet to be made between the Anekal Planning Authority and the land developer. "The issue of selling sites meant for civic amenities to gullible buyers has come to our notice. We have sought opinion from our legal cell. We will take a decision as soon as we receive the legal opinion," said the Joint Commissioner.

However, Nirman Group of Institutions Founder and Managing Director V Lakshminarayan feigned ignorance when this correspondent brought the issue to his notice but later agreed to fix the issue. "I will take measures to fix the issue as early as possible. I will try to allocate alternative sites to those who bought the sites meant for civic amenities. I will try to complete the process by the end of December 2022 or February 2023," he said.

Will the hapless buyers get justice? They have to wait and watch...

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Craters irk another Bengaluru locality

Residents of Kumara Park West are fed up of potholes on Railway Parallel Road

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Residents living in Kumara Park West have several complaints about Railway Parallel Road. They say that the stretch is ridden with potholes and commuters find it extremely difficult to travel.

The road is also reported to be quite a busy one as numerous vehicles ply over it. Potholes only add to the inconvenience.

Sushma K, a resident of the area, said, "The road is quite busy. Thousands of vehicles, including KSRTC buses, take this road to commute. Hence, it is of utmost importance that the condition of this road be reversed as soon as possible."

Ashok Anand, another resident, said, "The entire stretch is full of numerous potholes and this makes our ride very bumpy and hectic. While going through this road I feel like it is not only affecting the commuters but also the vehicles."

Residents also say that the locality is 'posh', which is why the bad state of the roads spoils the look of the place.

Ramya K, also a resident, told Bangalore Mirror that there are several big houses in the area, but looking at the road, one would not be able to say so. "The condition of the road is horrible. It is like an accident waiting to happen. So many accidents have happened in the city because of potholes. Authorities should take serious steps to fill them up to prevent people from having fatal injuries," said Ramya.

Rains have further deteriorated the situation. Maruti Gowda, another local, reported that the last few days of rain severely affected the area. All the potholes have become filled with water, which is making commuting even more difficult, he said, adding that cars and two-wheelers have high chances of skidding and causing the driver serious injuries.

This is the condition of Railway Parallel Road; during rains, the potholes get filled with water, making it tough to commute

> **"The authorities have made promises of filling the potholes by November and I hope that they keep their promise because this area needs immediate attention**
>
> –Anmol Srinivas, resident

Anmol Srinivas, who also lives in the area, said, "The authorities have made promises of filling the potholes by November and I hope that they keep their promise because this area needs immediate attention. So many people use this road, including children. It has become very dangerous."

A BBMP official said that they would visit the place and start work as soon as possible.

BMTC buses: Double-decker to conductor-less

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Bengaluru will soon have 10 double-decker buses as part of the Bangalore Metropolitan Transport Corporation (BMTC) fleet. Additionally, BMTC will soon be running 100 conductor-less mini e-buses in various sectors as feeder buses.

In a bid to replace its existing diesel-based fleet with electric buses, BMTC has brought in several electric buses. A tender has been floated for the procurement of 10 double-decker non-AC buses (9-9.5 m in length) and 100 mini non-AC electric buses based on the GCC model.

The conductor-less mini buses will take advantage of digital payment systems for their operations. Feeder bus services provide connectivity between localities and multi-modal transport hubs.

BMTC Director (IT), AV Surya Sen told Bangalore Mirror, "The mini e-buses will be used as feeder buses. The buses will be assigned sectors for the pilot launch. Currently, we are looking at HSR, Nagawara, Jakkur, Amruthahalli, some areas in Kengeri, Jayanagar, JP Nagar Phase 6 and 7, Bannerghatta Road connecting Kanakapura Road, and some portions of Yelahanka. Initially, we will start with five to 10 buses. We will observe the demand and make further decisions."

File photo of a BMTC bus; BMTC will get 10 double-decker buses

Sen added that as most people are travelling with mobile tickets nowadays, BMTC is also on the verge of launching digital tickets. "We have options between mobile tickets and wallet systems. We are leaning towards coming out with a wallet system instead of a Smart Card or a mobile wallet. Passengers can credit the amount in their wallet and show it instead of buying a ticket. The wallet will be linked to the BMTC app or the Tummoc app."

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Last mile connected!
Cubbon Park Metro passengers can get feeder bus service to and from Vasanth Nagar

BM's report on November 2 spoke about BMTC feeder buses and last mile connectivity

BMTC will be tying up with Canara Bank for the wallet system and the new BMTC app is expected to be launched in a month or two. While the BMTC had decided to procure double-decker buses, it is yet to be cleared for roads.

"The routes for the double-decker buses are yet to be decided as these buses still need to get vertical clearance for passing through skywalks and canopy of trees. We will need to do a pilot run with these buses to ascertain the problems. We need to identify existing routes where these buses can be run. The pilot will be conducted in one or two months," informed Sen.

As of now, BMTC is running 5,646 buses from 46 depots with three major bus stations and 10 TTMCs.

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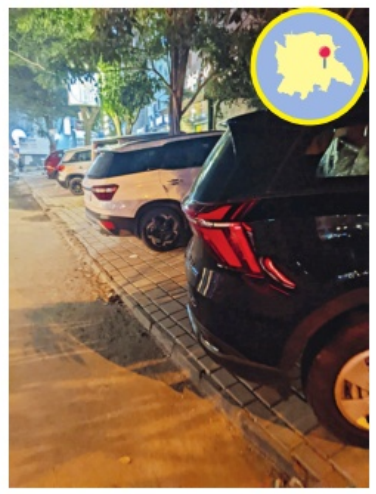

The entire footpath in front of Section Red Restaurant, Sir M Visvesvaraya Road, BTM 4th Stage is being used as a car park.

Overflowing drain
Tumkur Road

This drain on the footpath in Tumkur Road (next to Goraguntepalya Metro Station) is overflowing and also threatening a transformer.

Broken tiles
Indiranagar

Newly laid tiles opposite SV Metro, Indiranagar (left side) are broken.

All for quality tipple: What is city's share?

10.25% MSIL liquor outlet permits in last 3 years awarded to Bengaluru

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Twenty-five MSIL liquor outlets have opened in Bengaluru over three years

With no fresh licences being given to retail liquor shops, MSIL liquor outlets have become the most sought after. According to the statistics, 25 MSIL liquor outlets have opened in Bengaluru City in the last three years. Out of the 25, six opened in Bengaluru East, four each in West and South and the rest in Bengaluru North regions, according to the latest statistics from the excise department. Meanwhile, 244 MSIL outlets have also been permitted in the entire State. This means, 10.24% of the outlets permitted in the last three years were in Bengaluru alone.

In a reply to a question in the recent Assembly session, Excise Minister Gopalaiah said as there was a prohibition on giving fresh licences on CL-2 (retail shops) and CL-9 (bars and restaurants). So, automatically, there was a demand for MSIL outlets. "MSIL outlets have been established to provide quality liquor to consumers. This helps in reducing the chances of tipplers going in search of cheap liquor or hooch. As we all know that the consumption of cheap liquor or hooch can be fatal, we are trying our best to provide quality liquor."

Meanwhile, Gopalaiah said that the Karnataka State Temperance Board was doing its best to create awareness. The Board, in association with District Information Officers, is regularly organising public awareness programmes to create awareness about the ill effects of alcohol addiction and substance abuse. At the same time, the Board also seeks help from various NGOs to organise such programmes and selected NGOs who conduct de-addiction camps are provided grants in aid.

> **"MSIL outlets have been established to provide quality liquor to consumers. This helps in reducing the chances of tipplers going in search of cheap liquor or hooch**
> –Gopalaiah, Excise Minister

In another reply, Gopalaiah said the State Government has earned revenue of Rs 26,377.68 crore in 2021-22. This was a clear indication that the excise revenue had increased during the last financial year after a dip in revenue during the Covid years. In 2019-20, the excise department had earned Rs 21,583.95 crore and Rs 23,332.10 crore in 2020-21. He said that the revenue earned was being invested in overall development of the State.

Gopalaiah said that there was no proposal before the government to provide revenue licence to dealers in every gram panchayat level. "Since 1992, no fresh licenses have been provided under CL-2 and CL-9. Currently, the licences were permitted under CL-4 (clubs), CL-6A (star hotels), CL-7 (hotels and boarding houses), CL-7C (serving liquor on board of luxury train run by KSTDC or ITDC), CL-8 (military canteens), CL-8A (military canteen stores bonded warehouses), CL-11C (MSIL retail outlets), CL-14 (MSIL bonded warehouses for seized property), along with micro brewery and wine boutiques etc.

Covid effect

During covid when pubs were shut for many weeks, the demand for illicit liquor grew. According to Gopalaiah, 7,975 cases were booked and 4,023 people were arrested between December 1, 2020 and March 31, 2022 for selling illicit liquor in the State.

Bengaluru gets Sri Sathya Sai museum

Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai inaugurated the Sri Sathya Sai Divyasmriti, a digital experience centre on the life and teachings of Sri Sathya Sai Baba, on Thursday.

It will be open to the public from November 9. The centre, spread over 4,850 sq ft, is located at 'Brindavan', Sri Sathya Sai Baba Ashram in Kadugodi, Whitefield. The project was commissioned by the Sri Sathya Sai Central Trust in order to commemorate its golden jubilee. Sri Sathya Sai Media Centre and Prasanthi Nilayam executed the project with help from Tagbin, Gurugram. State-of-the-art digital tools have been used to recreate archive footage and images. The exhibits come in digital formats including photos, videos, and audio clips with teachings, visits, projects and landmark events from his life. The museum has touch walls, audio guides in multiple languages, and multimedia zones.

Govt seeks CSR for city infra

Traffic on the Outer Ring Road has been caught in one wrangle or the other for a while now. With companies based out of ORR petitioning the State Government to fix the infrastructure, the government has responded positively and also suggested that companies pool in from their CSR funds to fix infrastructure. On Thursday, a group of IT firms met IT/BT Minister Dr CN Ashwath Narayan and urged him to take up ORR works on priority basis. After the meeting, Narayan said in view of solving the grievances of companies and residences located on ORR, BBMP administrator Rakesh Singh would hold a meeting and examine the situation. He said a monthly meeting was convened at Vidhana Soudha with the representatives of the Outer Ring Road Companies Association (ORRCA) and a few other associations.

Palace Road 2.0 exudes 'Karnataka pride'

Volunteers, BBMP come together to paint the stretch blue and white

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Over 2.4 km of Palace Road is now a colourful surprise

Palace Road in Bengaluru has now been beautified with a new look. This was the result of the Invest Karnataka Summit 2022 organised by the Karnataka government. The summit had many experts coming from different states and countries, making the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) jump forward to beautify the stretch.

According to the BBMP, over 2.4 km has been painted blue with white stripes and the state logo. The Ugly Indian, a group involved in clearing many black spots, partnered with the BBMP and came up with designs to be painted along the road.

As a part of the partnership, the civic body painted and beautified the entire entrance to the palace, transformed the medians, and did minor repairs and upgrades as required for the road infrastructure.

The Ugly Indian conceived the design elements to be painted to invoke a sense of Karnataka pride. Stylised versions of the GandaBherunda (2-headed bird), the Yaalis (the elephant-lion figure) and the Ambaari (Mysuru Dasara elephant) have been artistically depicted across the length of the approach walls on all three roads as well as the pillars and railway bridge next to Mount Carmel College. This is perhaps the only public place in Karnataka where state symbols are so prominently displayed. The idea of the beautification was to show the delegates who visit the Invest Karnataka venue to get a taste of Karnataka culture right outside the summit in a unique way and to give the hosts a chance to talk about it too.

BBMP Assistant Executive Engineer Jaisimha said, "As the invest Karnataka meet was being held, we came up with the idea of beautifying the place. It took us 15 days for the work. The roads were asphalted too. There has been a leakage in the railway underbridge of the road which we have fixed temporarily. We need to get the required funds released to carry out the permanent fixation."

A volunteer from The Ugly Indian said, "The added advantage of using such symbols is that they do not get defaced in the future (after the event is over) as they blend well into the cityscape - as can been seen in other locations like Windsor Bridge and Mekhri Circle Underpass which have stayed neat and clean for several years now. We are proud to partner with BBMP for the design of the walls and pillars of most of the city's underpasses and flyovers - a unique city-wide citizen-government partnership that improves the city's aesthetics and deters the menace of defacement."

Why pedestrians can't progress

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"The eatery has a licence to do business inside the premises but the footpath is completely occupied by its customers. The customers are leaving empty plates in front of our office. A few customers are using this space for smoking," said the owner of L Jayarama & Co.

He said that encroachment of the footpath has become a nuisance for women working at his office. "Our women employees are not able to come out of the office due to this nuisance," he said.

Lakshmamma, a building owner, said that she was compelled to barricade the space in front of her house with cable wires. "A few customers of Bangalore Café killed the plants put up in front of my home by pouring hot coffee on them. I will remove the cable wires if the hotel owner prevents his customers from occupying the footpath," said Lakshmamma.

Many residents are not happy with the encroachment of the footpath that is situated just a few metres away from BBMP south zonal commissioner's office.

"I do not know what has prevented the BBMP from clearing the encroachment on this footpath," said Kumar CN, a resident.

Jagadeesh R, a resident, criticised the BBMP for ignoring the encroachment of the footpath. He is of the view that the BBMP might be getting money on a monthly basis from the owner of the said establishment. "I am shocked to see the brazen encroachment of the footpath. I do not know why the BBMP and the traffic police did not take action on those occupying the footpath," said Jagadeesh.

When asked, Pavan of Bangalore Café said that he would make arrangements for customers inside the premises after completing the ongoing renovation work. "We allowed the customers to use the footpath during the covid pandemic so as to maintain social distance. So, the customers continued to use the footpath," he said.

Meanwhile, BBMP south zonal commissioner Jayaram Ravipura gave assurance that he shall look into the matter. "You send me the pictures of the encroachment. I will direct my subordinates to clear the encroachments," Ravipura told BM.

Vijay Mallya's lawyer urges SC to relieve him from case

A lawyer representing fugitive businessman Vijay Mallya on Thursday urged the Supreme Court to relieve him from representing Mallya, who is residing in the United Kingdom, as he is not receiving any communications from him. Advocate EC Agarwala told a bench of Justices DY Chandrachud and Hima Kohli that he has not been receiving any instruction from Mallya and thus, he should be discharged from the case.

"I want to be discharged from this matter. I am not receiving any instructions...," he said. The bench allowed the lawyer to follow the process for discharge from the case and asked him to inform the Court Registry about Mallya's e-mail id and present residential address. In July, the apex court awarded four months in jail to Mallya who was found guilty of contempt of court in 2017 for withholding information from the court.

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Hesaraghatta grasslands: People's will to decide its fate

Public consultation will be held to determine if grasslands can be declared as conservation reserve

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The Karnataka State Wildlife Board has decided to conduct a public consultation meeting with locals and environmentalists in the area to decide the fate of the 5,000-acre Hesaraghatta grasslands. The decision was taken at the board's meeting conducted on Thursday evening under the chairmanship of Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai.

The duty to conduct the public consultation has been entrusted to the Karnataka Forest Department. However, the members of the wildlife board can accompany the Forest Department officials for the public consultation sessions.

The decision to conduct public consultation has come amid political pressure from various pockets. While the momentum to declare the grassland as a conservation reserve has been growing over the past few months, there were protests organised against it as well.

The grasslands are one of the most important green spaces of B'luru

"The government wants to go for the public hearing to ensure that both sides are heard. While the environmentalists have been demanding that the grassland be declared as a conservation reserve as soon as possible, all the concerns of locals should be addressed too. The decision should be made after listening to both sides. The consultation will put both the advantages and disadvantages of declaring Hesaraghatta as a conservation reserve under the scanner before making a decision," said a source from the Karnataka State Wildlife Board.

The issue will be taken up again after the Forest Department submits a fresh proposal based on the opinions and recommendations that emerge out of the public consultation meeting. However, no date has been announced for the meetings so far.

Activists working in the area say the public consultation meeting, if conducted in villages surrounding the grassland, might paint a biased picture.

"The grassland belongs to Bengaluru and thus the viewpoint of people from across the city and also across the state should be taken into consideration. They must provide a provision for online suggestions and recommendations as well. A group of people has been distributing pamphlets to the villagers for many days now with misleading information about the grassland. A consultation meeting with locals of the area will not be a good idea under such circumstances," said a city-based environmentalist who has been in favor of declaring Hesaraghatta as a conservation reserve.

Sixth tiger reserve

The CM also announced in the meeting that permission will soon be accorded to declare the MM Hills Wildlife Sanctuary as a tiger reserve. With this, the sanctuary will become the sixth tiger reserve in Karnataka. Once notified, the reserve will be eligible for funds for the protection of tigers and other conservation activities in and around the area.

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Finally, poll dates for Gujarat

EC brushes aside claim of bias, attributes delay to multiple factors

#New Delhi

Assembly elections in Gujarat will be held in two phases on December 1 and 5 with the counting of votes on December 8 along with that of Himachal Pradesh, Chief Election Commissioner Rajiv Kumar announced on Thursday.

Of the total 182 assembly seats in Gujarat, voting for 89 seats will be held on December 1 and the balance 93 seats on December 5, Kumar told a press conference that was also attended by Election Commissioner Anup Chandra Pandey and senior officials from the poll authority.

The Commission had announced elections to Himachal Pradesh on October 14 but skipped declaring polls for Gujarat.

Kumar also brushed aside opposition criticism of bias in delaying the poll announcement for Gujarat, contending that the Commission had to balance many things including weather, last date of the term of the assembly and the number of days the model code of conduct should be in force. The term of the Gujarat assembly ends on February 18, 2023 and the elections have been announced 110 days in advance, Kumar said.

"It is a combination of multiple factors and we are well within the factors of consideration, including polls in nearby states," the chief election commissioner said.

He indicated that the elections could have been announced a couple of days earlier, but for

Workers remove a hoarding as Model Code of Conduct (MCC) came into force for the Assembly polls, in Surat, on Thursday

the tragedy that took place in the state.

"We also had to take note of the tragedy that had befallen the state. That was also one factor for the delay. There was state mourning in the state till yesterday (Wednesday). So, it is (because of) multiple factors," Kumar said.

On the larger question of impartiality of the Election Commission, Kumar said a large number of assembly elections have thrown up surprising results.

"Actually, actions and outcomes speak larger than words. In a large number of assembly elections, results have shown, at times, those who were critical of the Commission have got surprising results. I don't want to go into details," Kumar said.

The notification for the assembly elections will be issued on November 5 and November 10 for the first and the second phases respectively.

The last date for filing of nominations will be November 14 and November 17 for the first and second phase respectively. The nomination papers will be scrutinised on November 15 and November 18.

The last date for withdrawal of nominations for the first phase is November 17 and for the second phase it is November 21.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi has been visiting Gujarat to unveil a slew of schemes and lay the foundation for various projects ahead of the polls.

There are over 4.9 crore eligible voters in total in Gujarat, including 4.6 lakh first time voters. The EC will set up 51,782 polling stations for voters of which 34,276 will be set up in rural areas, while 17,506 will be in urban areas.

The BJP had pulled off its sixth consecutive victory winning 99 seats, while the Congress put up a spirited fight by bagging 77 seats in the last polls. In percentage terms, the BJP had polled 49.05 per cent of the valid votes, while the Congress had polled 42.97 per cent.

The Congress witnessed a series of defections after the assembly elections and the BJP increased its tally in the House to 111. The Congress numbers were reduced to 62.

The Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) has trained its sights on Gujarat and has already entered the election mode. Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal has made several trips to Gujarat in a bid to make inroads for the AAP in the state after a successful foray in Punjab. **– PTI**

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Imran shot at by miffed lone wolf

#Islamabad

The suspect caught by police in Pakistan for opening fire during the PTI's long march, has said he wanted to kill PTI chairman and ex-PM Imran Khan because "he was misleading the public," media reports said. Imran Khan has been injured in a firing incident near his container in Wazirabad in Pakistan's Punjab province during his long march against the ruling coalition, reported ARY News.

When the police asked why he committed the crime, the shooter said, "Imran Khan was misleading people and I could not tolerate it so I tried to kill him. I tried my best to kill him. I tried killing only Imran Khan and no one else." "I thought of this as there was Azaan going on and on the other side, Imran Khan is taking out his container and making noise. My conscience did not approve of this. I decided this suddenly... I conspired against Imran Khan from the day he kicked off his long march from Lahore.

I made up my mind that I will not leave him alive," as per a video of the shooter shared on social media. Responding to whether there was someone else in the conspiracy, the shooter said, "I have conspired this alone and no one else is involved in this. I came on a bike and I parked it at my uncle's shop." **– ANI**

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All's well: Hospitals close covid wards

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resources such as wards and ICU beds have progressively been allocated for non-covid patients. At Sakra World Hospital, the number of covid in-patients has been in single digits for the past many months, tapering to zero currently. "We had scaled up our covid wards, ICUs and beds in line with the requirements during the pandemic waves. However, with vaccination gaining momentum and the virus mutating to forms that caused less serious diseases, the need for hospitalisation has gone down drastically. While the cases have declined, the number of routine patients has seen a surge. Consequently, more resources, more wards and ICU beds have progressively been allocated for non-covid cases," said Dr Deepak Balani, chief of medical services at Sakra World Hospital.

Covid wards and beds at government hospitals have been converted into regular emergency wards.

"We converted covid beds into normal beds long ago. It was the emergency wards that were converted to covid wards and once we got the guidelines to convert these wards back to regular emergency sections, we followed them. Currently, there are no dedicated covid wards or beds at the hospital," said a representative of Victoria Hospital. Healthcare centres, however, are still exercising caution. For instance, Sakra currently has a fully equipped ICU with an isolation facility and separated negative pressure ventilation demarcated for covid patients who require admission.

"Two wards are retained in a covid-ready state and can be fitted with safe and effective covid care facilities should the need arise. With the experience of the pandemic fresh in our minds, healthcare professionals, diagnostic and therapeutic machinery and processes have evolved; it should be possible to ramp up quickly," added Dr Balani.

However, clinical and epidemiologic experts said that for the most part, the pandemic is behind us — while it remains in the community causing asymptomatic or mild infection, new variants notwithstanding, the possibility of a fourth wave is rather remote.

"The current XBB variant spreads rapidly but causes mostly mild sickness. Therefore, we may not see the severity we saw in the first two waves. But only time will tell when it comes to new variants," added Dr Kamath.

Jaishankar to visit Russia

#New Delhi

Economic cooperation between India and Russia in various domains is set to figure prominently during External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar's visit to Moscow next week which is taking place amid the conflict in Ukraine.

The Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) Thursday said Jaishankar will visit Russia on November 7 and 8 and hold talks with Russian Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov and Deputy Prime and Minister of Trade and Industry Denis Manturov.

Russia announced Jaishankar's visit last week.

"The external affairs minister will meet his counterpart, Sergey Lavrov, the foreign minister of Russia. Discussions are expected to cover the entire range of bilateral issues as well as exchange of views on various regional and international developments," MEA Spokesperson Arindam Bagchi said at a media briefing.

To a question on the Ukraine conflict, Bagchi said India has always emphasized on the need to return to diplomacy and dialogue to resolve it. **– PTI**

HEALTH TIP: Drinking alcohol in excess can lead to liver diseases and even liver cancer in the long run

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PCOS impact on fertility

And knowing potential ways to deal with it

Polycystic ovary syndrome (PCOS) is a disorder that doctors associate with an imbalance in female sex hormones. The imbalance can lead to a variety of symptoms and may affect a woman's fertility.

What Is PCOS?

Every month, in women of childbearing age, tiny fluid-filled cysts known as follicles, develop on the surface of the ovary. Female sex hormones, including estrogen, cause one of the follicles to produce a mature egg. The ovary then releases this egg, and it breaks out of the follicle.

In women who have PCOS, there is an imbalance in female sex hormones. The imbalance may prevent the development and release of mature eggs. Without a mature egg, neither ovulation nor pregnancy can occur. This hormone imbalance may also include an abnormal increase in testosterone, which is primarily a male sex hormone. Note that women also produce testosterone, although it is usually in small amounts.

Causes Of PCOS

Experts do not know exactly what causes PCOS, but it may involve genetic factors. If a woman's mother or sister has the condition, she has a higher chance than others of developing it.

Additionally, excess insulin in the body also increases a woman's risk of developing PCOS. Insulin is a hormone produced by the pancreas, and it is used by the body to convert sugar present in food into energy. Notably, women with PCOS often have insulin resistance. Insulin resistance is the body's inability to lower blood sugar levels correctly. Blood sugar levels can become too high, which causes more insulin production.

Too much insulin further increases testosterone production, which leads to some of the symptoms of PCOS.

Symptoms Of PCOS

Not everyone with PCOS will have the same signs or symptoms. Also, PCOS symptoms can occur at any age or time during a person's reproductive years. Symptoms can also change over time. Some of the most common symptoms of PCOS include:

- Abnormal hair growth on the face, chest, or back
- Acne or a darkening of the skin
- Weight gain
- Thinning hair on the head
- Infertility
- Irregular periods
- Ovarian cysts
- Depression
- Increased skin tags

How PCOS Affects Fertility

Dr Dakshayani Ravikumar, Clinical Director, Art Fertility Clinics, Chennai, says that the effects of PCOS on fertility can be different from person to person.

Ovulation problems are usually the primary cause of infertility in women with PCOS. Ovulation may not occur due to an increase in testosterone production or because follicles on the ovaries do not mature.

Even if ovulation occurs, an imbalance in hormones may prevent the lining of the uterus from developing properly to allow for the implantation of the mature egg.

Due to unbalanced hormones, ovulation and menstruation can be irregular. Unpredictable menstrual cycles can also make it difficult to get pregnant.

Other Complications Of PCOS

Infertility is often one of the main complications of PCOS, but it is not the only one. Dr Dakshayani lists the health conditions that women with PCOS are at a greater risk for than others:

- High cholesterol levels
- High blood pressure
- Heart disease
- Diabetes
- Weight gain
- Sleep apnea
- Depression and anxiety
- Poor body self-image
- Endometrial cancer

When To See A Doctor?

"Anyone who is having difficulty becoming pregnant should speak to a doctor, who will be able to explain the various treatment options. Anyone who is concerned that they are unable to become pregnant or who has symptoms that may indicate PCOS, should see a doctor," advises Dr Dakshayani.

Even if a woman does not wish to become pregnant, getting an early diagnosis of PCOS can help prevent complications. Assessment for PCOS can help target treatment and improve the chances of conceiving. "If a woman does become pregnant, it is also essential to know if PCOS is present, as studies have found a higher risk of pregnancy complications with PCOS, such as gestational diabetes, premature delivery, and high blood pressure," adds Dr Dakshayani.

There is no specific test to diagnose PCOS; doctors make a diagnosis based on several factors. Tests may include a physical exam, knowing medical history, blood tests for hormone levels and glucose levels, and an ultrasound scan.

PCOS treatment can increase the chances of conceiving in those who wish to become pregnant. It can also help people manage their symptoms. Since symptoms vary from individual to individual, treatment is not always the same. Options also depend on whether or not the woman wishes to become pregnant.

Dr Dakshayani shares treatment options for PCOS symptoms:

- Birth control pills to help correct hormonal imbalances
- Insulin-sensitising drugs to improve the body's use of insulin and testosterone production
- In the case of diabetes, medication to control blood sugar levels
- Exercise and healthful eating to help boost overall well-being and control weight
- Maintaining a healthy weight can help reduce insulin and testosterone levels and improve symptoms

Fertility Treatment For PCOS

If a woman with PCOS wishes to become pregnant, the doctor may prescribe medications to regulate menstrual periods and encourage ovulation. "Surgery may be an option if the medication does not improve fertility. One surgical procedure is laparoscopic ovarian drilling, in which the surgeon makes small cuts in the abdomen and inserts a needle. Electric current is used to destroy a small amount of tissue that produces testosterone in the ovary. Decreasing testosterone levels may allow regular ovulation to occur," explains Dr Dakshayani.

Tips For Increasing Fertility

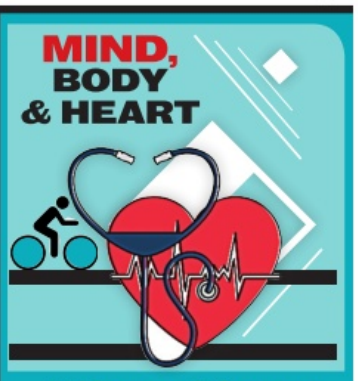
Weight Management: Losing excess weight may help balance hormone production and increase the chances of ovulation and pregnancy. People with a low weight who have difficulty conceiving may want to see their doctor as well, as this may be another risk factor for infertility.

Stress Management: Long-term stress can affect hormones. For example, ongoing stress can increase cortisol in the body, which may trigger a rise in insulin production. High insulin levels can lead to an imbalance in female sex hormones and infertility. Finding healthful ways to manage stress may also boost fertility. Tips for managing stress include getting regular exercise, balancing work and home life, spending time with friends and family, and getting enough sleep.

Dietary Changes: For some people with PCOS, a low glycaemic diet may improve symptoms and fertility.

This type of diet involves eating fewer foods that cause a spike in blood sugar levels.

—Kalwyna Rathod (Femina)



All problems solved

Dear Coleen

About eight months ago, my husband had an emotional affair with a colleague. I found out after reading his work Teams chat and it was a massive shock. We've been together 20 years and have two children, and though things were tough over the lockdowns for us as a couple, I thought we were OK and had a solid and loving relationship. We talked about it a lot at the time and decided to move on, and he stopped messaging her privately. As he works from home most of the time, they have minimal contact. My problem is, each time we argue about something, I feel this resentment building up over his relationship with this woman. I thought I was over it, but clearly I'm not. I don't know if things will ever be the same or if I can move on properly. I'd love your advice.

COLEEN SAYS

I think a lot of people who have emotional affairs justify it by saying they didn't have sex, so it wasn't cheating. Well, becoming emotionally close to someone is a betrayal and, in fact, some would argue it's more intimate than sex.

So I get how you're feeling. It's not something you can just put to one side.

I know I harp on about counselling a lot, but please try it (alone or with your husband) to help you work through what's happened. It'll also help you get to what you want. I think it's going to take more time for you to properly move on from this emotional affair. I don't think it's enough to have a few conversations at the time and then shelve it – it has to be an ongoing conversation. The trust you had in him has been badly damaged and you can get it back, but it takes effort and patience. Tell your husband you're struggling to get past it and you need to have an open and honest dialogue going forward.

–Coleen Nolan, Daily Mirror

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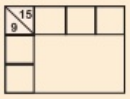
During the examination, the sum of marks obtained by Gines and Nestor was 81 and difference was 17. If Nestor had a greater mark, find Gine's mark

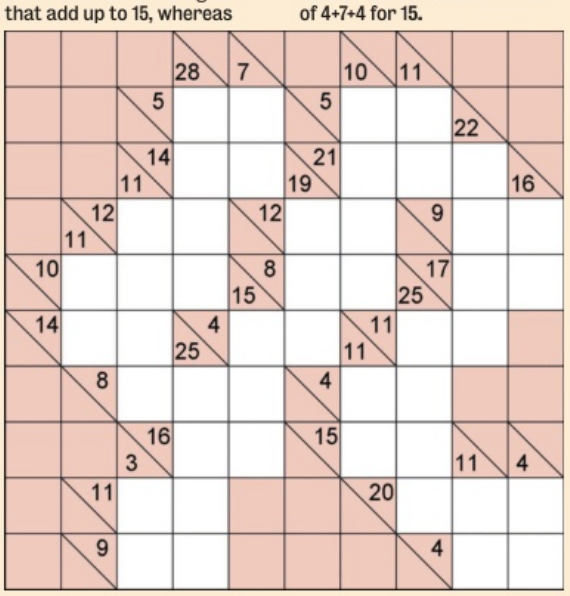
Kakuro

The numbers in the grey squares refer to the sums of the digits that you must fill into the empty spaces directly below or to the right of the grey square containing the number. For instance, in the given example, the 3 boxes horizontally next to 15 must contain 3 digits that add up to 15, whereas



for 9, it is the 2 boxes placed vertically under it that must add up to 9. No zeros are used here, only the digits 1 through 9.

Note: A digit cannot appear more than once in any particular digit combination. For instance, in the example, we cannot have the combination of 4+7+4 for 15.



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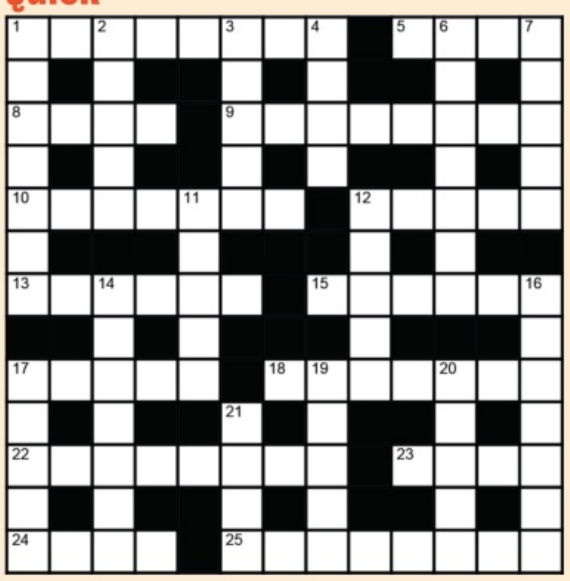


ACROSS

1 Be an optimist and plan in a grandiose manner? (5,3)
5 Venomous snakes (4)
8 Individually (4)
9 Edible seed (4,4)
10 Trendy (7)
12 Follows or shadows (5)
13 Ordinary (6)
15 Hospital on Bannerghatta Road (6)
17 Large African mammal inhabiting rivers etc. (5)
18 Becomes septic, rots or stagnates (7)
22 Accredits, authorises or empowers (8)
23 S. American country (4)
24 Finds the sum of (4)
25 Disparage or deprecate (8)

DOWN

1 Perfidy (7)
2 Longing to scratch (5)
3 Counterpart for nuts? (5)
4 Something we can play (4)
6 Exceptional (7)
7 Goes under (5)
11 NW US state (5)
12 Records (5)
14 Considered, believed (7)
16 Dim, indistinct or blurry (7)
17 Scavenging African animal (5)
19 Artist's support (5)
20 Happening (5)
21 Not sincere (4)

Quoteuncode

This puzzle is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that Q equals C, it will equal C throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

Today's CLUE: D EQUALS T

DJWUW QX EF SNQE XF ZUWND NX DJW CWCFUP FV GFP QE SUWXWED ZUQWV.

Linemaro

Hi, I wanted to give you the satisfaction of turning me down; go ahead say no

Mindchow

Not to care for philosophy is to be a true philosopher

Joke of the day

Always borrow money from a pessimist. He won't expect it back

Loop

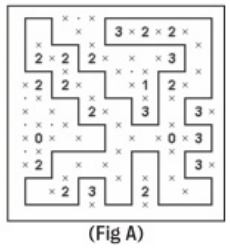
Rules

» Connect adjacent dots with vertical or horizontal lines, creating a single loop (Fig A). » Crossovers or branches are not allowed (As shown by dotted lines in Fig B). » Numbers in the puzzle indicate the number of lines that should surround it, while empty cells may be surrounded by any number of lines. » You can't draw lines around zeros. » Each puzzle has just one unique solution.

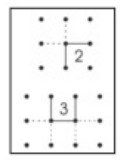
How to begin:

Example (Fig A) – Begin with the zero next to 3. Since no lines can be drawn around zero, mark crosses around it, as shown. Now there is a cross in one space around 3. So we know the three lines of 3 can only be drawn in the remaining three spaces. Next, these lines can only be extended in one direction each. Continue, using the same logic.

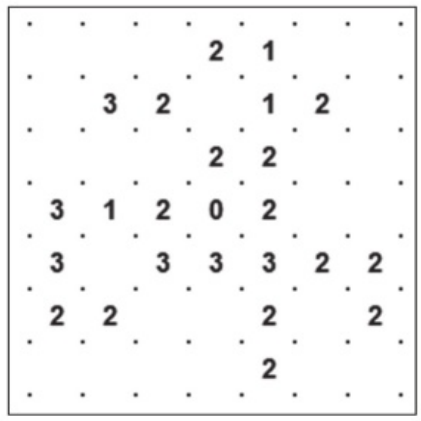
Hints: Keep eliminating possibilities by marking crosses in spaces between dots where a line isn't possible, i.e., if you have already completed required lines or where a line extension may create a branch or cause a dead-end (Fig B)



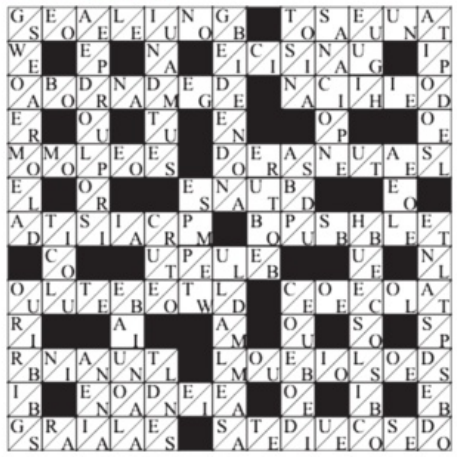
(Fig A)



(Fig B) Not Allowed



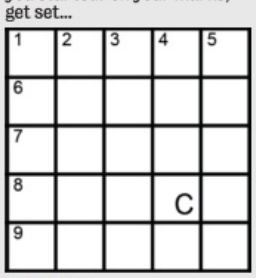
Strikeout



This crossword has no clues and the answer is there waiting for you. All you have to do is find it in each square. You have a choice of two letters, one of which you must strike out. If you choose correctly, you will be left with a grid that contains real words.

Fast five

How long do you think it will take you to unscramble the ten words shown below and fit them correctly into the grid in the order given one letter has already been entered to get you started? on your marks, get set...



ACROSS

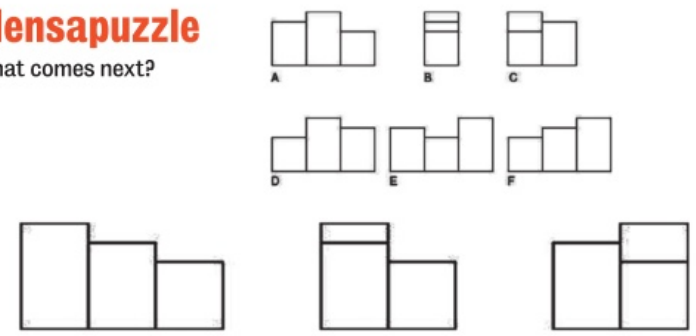
1 Canoe; 6 Or bel; 7 Awl by; 8 Spice; 9 D yuks

DOWN

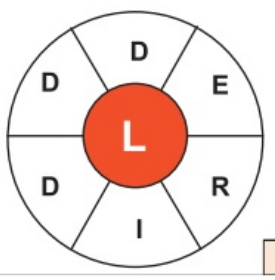
1 Bored; 2 Coy up; 3 Biles; 4 A calk; 5 Sew NY

Mensapuzzle

What comes next?



Bull's eye



How many words of four or more letters can you make from the letters shown? Every word must contain the central letter. There should be one seven-letter word. British English Dictionary is used as a reference.

07 Average; 08 Good; 10 Outstanding

SudokuChallenge

		1						6
3			6		8	7		
	6			2		9		
		6	5			1		9
2				6				7
7		8			4	3		
		4		8			1	
		3	4		7			8
6						4		

To solve a Sudoku puzzle, every digit from one to nine must appear in each of the nine vertical columns, in each of the nine horizontal rows and in each of the nine boxes.

Gofigure

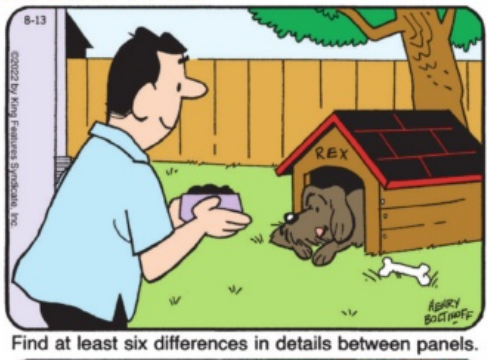
Place the four numbers in the first, third, fifth, and seventh boxes and whatever operators you care to use in the second, fourth, and sixth boxes in the correct order to get the answer. Use the numbers only once.

Easy = 17
6 6 8 9

Medium = 12
1 2 2 8

Hard = 27
3 5 9 5

Hocusfocus



Find at least six differences in details between panels.

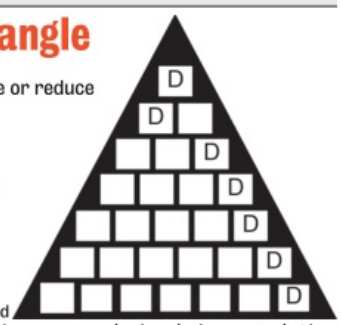
Differences: 1. Shingles are different. 2. Bowl is larger. 3. Doghouse opening is different. 4. Bottom of shirt is different. 5. Paw is moved. 6. Finger is moved.

Riddler

How can you make the following equation correct without changing it at all? 8 + 8 = 91

Alpha triangle

1 Five hundred
2 Prefix for remove or reduce
3 Showed the way
4 Obscene
5 Rural area
6 Taloned
7 Went on all fours



Beginning at the top move towards the bottom seven-letter word by adding a letter at each step and rearranging. A correct and different word must be made at each step answering to the clue given.

DIFFICULT TO SOLVE? FIND THESE SOLUTIONS ON THE NEXT PAGE

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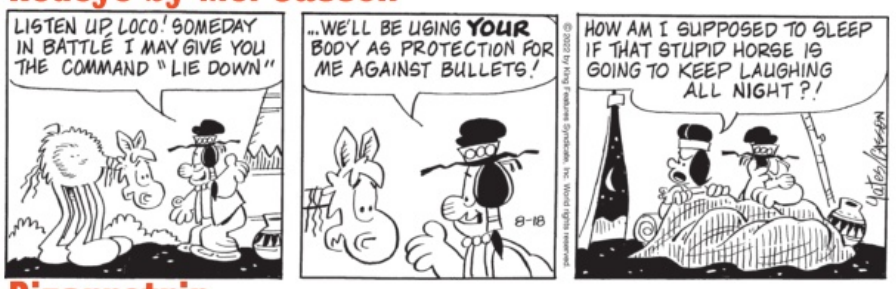
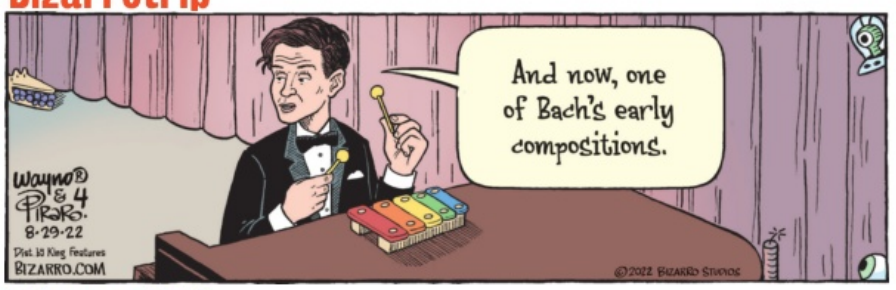

LISTEN UP LOCO! SOMEDAY IN BATTLE I MAY GIVE YOU THE COMMAND "LIE DOWN"
...WE'LL BE USING YOUR BODY AS PROTECTION FOR ME AGAINST BULLETS!
8-18
HOW AM I SUPPOSED TO SLEEP IF THAT STUPID HORSE IS GOING TO KEEP LAUGHING ALL NIGHT?!

Bizarrotrip



Diamond Lil

Hart of the city

I CAN'T WAIT FOR THE NEWEST "FIVE OF RAVENS" BOOK!
BOOK SIX!! DID YOU PREORDER YOURS AT BOOKS-A-TRILLION?
OF COURSE! I PREORDERED MINE THE DAY BOOK FIVE CAME OUT.
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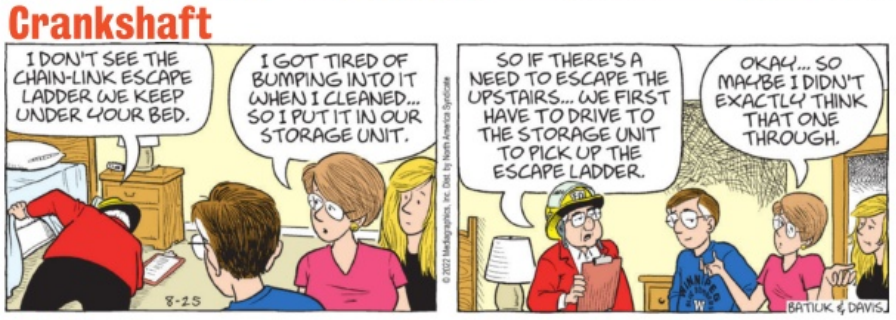
Crankshaft


I DON'T SEE THE CHAIN-LINK ESCAPE LADDER WE KEEP UNDER YOUR BED.
I GOT TIRED OF BUMPING INTO IT WHEN I CLEANED... SO I PUT IT IN OUR STORAGE UNIT.
8-25
SO IF THERE'S A NEED TO ESCAPE THE UPSTAIRS... WE FIRST HAVE TO DRIVE TO THE STORAGE UNIT TO PICK UP THE ESCAPE LADDER.
OKAY... SO MAYBE I DIDN'T EXACTLY THINK THAT ONE THROUGH.
BATIUK & DAVIS

Mutts

WHAT YOUR STARS SAY TODAY

Aries Mar 21 – Apr 20
Today you may start your day with happiness. At work, you may take quick decisions, which may increase your management skills and benefit you in the near future. You may expect some new sources of income which can boost your savings. With the help of your business partner, you may invest some capital in your business. Your bonding with your spouse may be increased.

Taurus Apr 21 – May 20
Today you may be busy on the work front, which can make you tired and unable to be there in time for a family get-together. You may be able to create an overseas network. You should be careful in terms of investments. Those in jobs may get a promotion.

Gemini May 21 – Jun 21
Today situations are under control. Your destiny is likely to be with you in terms of gains in business. You may get some rewards for your hard work. It may be a good time to reinitiate postponed projects. You can expect peaceful travel. You may also plan to donate some amount to charity or help needy people.

Cancer Jun 22 – July 23
Today your moon is not in a good position. You may have health issues. You may face losses in business or investment. It is advised not to invest in assets. Your gains will convert to losses. You should avoid being involved in controversies, otherwise it will pull you down negatively.

Leo Jul 24 – Aug 23
You are blessed by the moon today and can expect to hear some good news in terms of your profession. Your domestic life is likely to be in full swings of joy. You are advised to avoid making arguments on worthless topics. Over excitement may test your patience. You can take important decisions in making investments in real estate. Students will be focused on their studies.

Virgo Aug 24 – Sep 23
Today you may be blessed by the moon. Love would be in the air in terms of your personal life. Singles may find a suitable match. You may do better in terms of your professional life. Your friends and subordinate staff may support you. Investments in gems and jewellery are likely to bring positive gains in the near future.

Libra Sep 24 – Oct 22
Today you may be happy. You may have some sort of energy which may increase your prestige among people around you. You may spend your time studying intellectual subjects. You may also plan for some higher studies to groom your career. Students may hear good news in terms of competitive examinations.

Scorpio Oct 23 – Nov 22
Today, at the start of the day, you may feel dull. After late evening, you may control your negativity. New people may connect with you on the work front. With their help, you may try to revamp your business plans. It is advised to read documents before putting your signature on them.

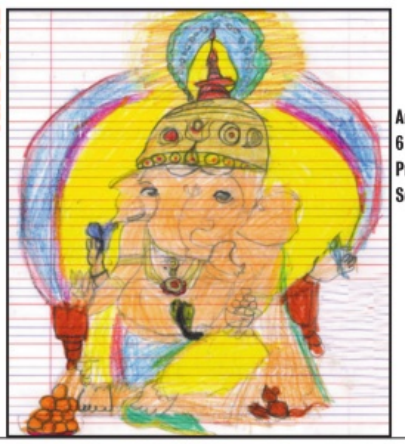
Sagittarius Nov 23 – Dec 22
Today, with the help of elders, you may control your indecisiveness. Your kids' health will be better now. Your colleagues may be supportive in your work, which will convert to success in terms of a project. You may expect to get some incentives with your salary. Those related to dairy, water projects, grains, home maker art, and culture may do well.

Capricorn Dec 23 – Jan 20
Today you may be busy with family get-togethers and social events. You may become polite with the people around you, which may increase your prestige among them. You may spend money on buying some artefacts or household items which may improve your social status. You are likely to hear some good news from one of your relatives.

Aquarius Jan 21 – Feb 19
Today you may be happy and blessed by the moon. You may feel healthy, which may reflect into your way of working. You may perform well in all areas of life, which may improve your prestige. Your concentration may be very good today. You may take some difficult decisions in your business in terms of growth.

Pisces Feb 20 – Mar 20
Today your vital power may slow down and old diseases may reappear, which can make you upset. You are advised to avoid adventure tours and rash driving. You are advised to avoid any type of ligations. You may settle it out of the jury. Try to avoid making arguments on worthless topics. You may also plan for an overseas trip.

KIDZONE



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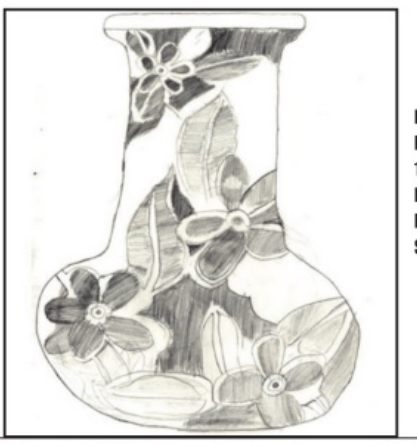

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SOLUTIONS

SOLVE IN 1M
G+N = 81
N – G =17
N= 17+G
G+ 17+G = 81
G = 32
N-32 = 17
Therefore N = 49

RIDDLER
Look at it upside down. 16 = 8 + 8.

BULL'S EYE
dell, diddle, idle, lled, ridle, lidded, lided, idler, lidded, RIDDLED, rile

FAST FIVE

O	C	E	A	N
R	O	B	L	E
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D	U	S	K	Y

STRIKE OUT

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QUICK

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SUDOKU

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9	7	4	3	8	6	2	1	5
1	2	3	4	5	7	6	9	8
6	8	5	2	9	1	4	7	3

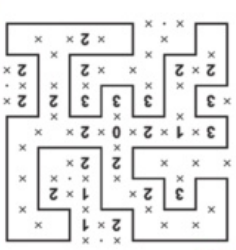
MENSA PUZZLE
E: the rectangle starting on the left is moving from left to right one place at a time at each stage.

QUOTE UNCODE
There is no pain so great as the memory of joy in present grief.

ALPHA TRIANGLE
D, DE, Led, Lewd, Weald, Clawed, Crawled.

GO FIGURE
Easy
9 + 6 – 6 + 8 = 17
Medium
2 x 2 + 8 x 1 = 12
Hard
9 x 3 + 5 – 5 = 27

LOOP



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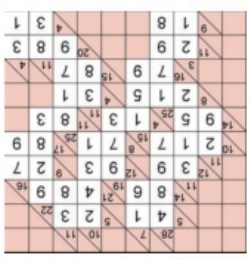

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 # Body-shamers called out
Actress Huma Qureshi revealed that she has faced body-shaming and has even got rejected for a film because of her weight

VANITY FAIR

Shilpa takes fans inside her vanity van, reveals what goes into getting her ready

When an actor performs, we tend to see them as a single entity on screen. However, behind them is an entire army of professionals getting them ready for the job - right from make up and hair artist to stylist, publicist and many others. Actor Shilpa Shetty recently took to her IG handle to share a chaotic video from her vanity van and revealed that it indeed takes a village to get her ready.

The video shows Shilpa's team working haplessly to get her ready for a shoot, with her makeup scattered all over the place and the hair artist working on a hairpiece Shilpa will presumably wear. Her stylist could also be seen working on her dress in the background and said that because of her (Shilpa's) hair, she was giving "Mantis" vibes, a character from the Guardians of the Galaxy.

Shilpa captioned the video as "It takes a village to prep for and get through the day..."

Shilpa recently recovered from a leg injury and is now back to work. She will soon be making her OTT debut with Rohit Shetty's maiden web series Indian Police Force.

—ETimes

CLOUD OVER MISS WORLD

Amidst the ongoing controversy surrounding Miss Texas R'Bonney Gabriel's win at the Miss USA pageant, a former Miss World pageant contest, Leilani McConney has levied some shocking allegations against Priyanka Chopra and her big beauty pageant win in 2000.

The former Miss Barbados, now a YouTuber, shared her thoughts on the allegations that the beauty pageant was rigged and that Miss Texas had a biased win due to the unfair advantage of favouritism from the organisers and sponsors.

"I literally went through the same thing at Miss World. Me, I went through that," McConney said while sharing photos and screenshots of the news snippets.

Recalling the pattern of favouritism shown towards Priyanka, she said the actress passed the swimsuit round 'in a dress'. "Priyanka Chopra was the only person who was allowed to keep her sarong on. Apparently, she was using some skin tone cream to even out her skin tone, and it was still splotchy. I'm not saying that it was a bleaching cream, it was a skin-tone cream. And it didn't work, so she didn't want to remove her sarong. So, during the actual judgement, she's literally in a dress," she said.

"If you're a contestant in a pageant and somebody favours you, what will you do? Why wouldn't you go along with it," she asked. **—ETimes**

SANDALWOOD SHOTS

Y MAHESWARA REDDY

A real busy bee

Zaid Khan, the son of Chamrajpet MLA BZ Zameer Ahmed Khan, is busy promoting his maiden pan-Indian movie Banaras. Apart from undertaking a whirlwind tour of important places in Karnataka, Zaid and his team visited major cities across the country to promote the film scheduled to release on Friday in Kannada, Tamil, Telugu, Malayalam and Hindi.

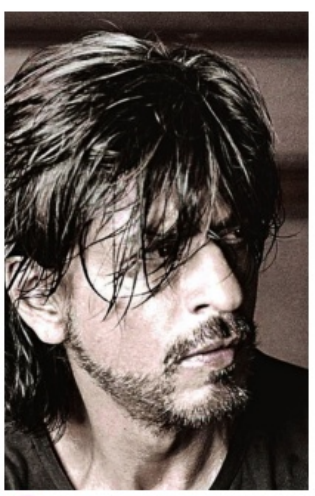
"I am barely getting three to four hours for sleep. So far, I have given more than 1,000 interviews to media persons," said Zaid. Zaid said he was thrilled with the overwhelming response received in Hyderabad. "I am very happy with the response from the movie distributors of other languages. Ajay Devgn has agreed to screen the Hindi version of this movie," he said.

Different look

After working as associate director for three Kannada movies, M Anand Raj has graduated as an independent director. His maiden movie Raagu is expected to hit the silver screen shortly. The speciality of Raagu is the character played by Vijayaraghavendra who is known for playing subtle character roles in his earlier movies. Vijayaraghavendra has acted in around 70 Kannada movies since 1982.

"I have presented Vijayaraghavendra in a different concept and style. Raagu will be special for not only Vijayaraghavendra but also for his fans because of his unique character role," said Anand Raj. Raj said Raagu is a hero-oriented movie. "I can't reveal the names of other actors in this movie," he said.

For fans, with love from SRK



Shah Rukh Khan is an inspiration to his fans and going by the latest reports, the fans are also an inspiration to the actor.

After making a thriller 'FAN' which brought to the screens a story of an obsessive fan, SRK, is now reportedly set to make a documentary on his beloved fandom. The actor, on Thursday, shared a clip of 'the sea of love' that surrounded his house on the occasion of his 57th birthday. Now, reports state that the clip may have just been a snippet of all that is to follow.

According to a report on pinkvilla.com, Shah Rukh is documenting the journey of his millions of fans. The idea behind the project is reportedly to understand what makes these fans go the extra mile and even cross continents to meet the King of hearts.

The documentary will reportedly be Shah Rukh's ode to his loyal fans. On the occasion of his birthday, many spotted cameras across Mannat, secretly filming the fans and their reactions to watching the superstar wave, blow kisses and strike his iconic pose. **—ETimes**

Where's Amber? Not on Twitter

Amber Heard has reportedly deactivated her Twitter account.

Ever since the defamation case trial filed by Amber's ex-husband Johnny Depp gained momentum, Amber Heard has been at the receiving end of massive hate and trolling. The actor hasn't really been active on social media post the verdict in the case.

Now, many on social media believe that Amber has deleted her Twitter after Elon Musk took over Twitter as the new boss! For the uninitiated, Amber Heard and Elon Musk were allegedly seeing each other in 2017.

Mashable has quoted a report according to which Amber Heard and her daughter Oonagh Paige moved to a little hamlet in Spain's Mallorca after the lawsuit ended.

She has apparently been leading a quiet life in a community of fewer than 2,000 people. **—ANI**

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